

Board of Selectmen's meeting  
May 15, 2014

**Present: First Selectman Gayle Weinstein; Town Administrator Tom Landry; Administrative Assistant Judy DeVito; residents and members of the press.**

**Selectman Muller and Tracey joined the meeting by telephone.**

**This meeting was recorded and videotaped. Copies are available in the Selectmen's office. The meetings are available for viewing online via the Town's website.**

**Ms. Weinstein called the meeting to order at 7:32pm**

**Pledge of Allegiance-** Ms. Weinstein led the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance

**Discussion/decision regarding the appointment of Julian Bombart to Weston's Sustainability Committee for a term to expire June 30, 2015-** this item was tabled to the next meeting.

**Discussion/decision regarding a budget for the startup of the Lachat Community Garden and Farm-** Amy Kalafa said they have submitted the budget and they would like to get approval tonight for the funding for the Community Gardens portion of the project.

Ms. Weinstein said she spoke to Amy earlier in the day and they agreed to hold off on a discussion regarding the production garden because they have grant applications in for a lot of those items and she doesn't want to allocate money and potentially lose a grant opportunity.

The total budget submitted for the Community Gardens is \$15,064. Half will be reimbursable by the Agriculture Viability Grant and we have made an agreement with Green Village Initiative (GVI) to split the remainder of the expenses 50/50 which would mean that the Town would be responsible for \$3,750 of that expense. Ms. Weinstein asked the Board for permission to cover the cost from the Lachat Endowment Fund.

Mr. Tracey moved that the Board allocate \$3,750 from the Lachat Endowment Fund to cover 25% of the cost of the startup budget for the Community Garden at the Lachat Farm. Mr. Muller seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion/decision regarding appointments to the Lachat Town Farm Commission.** Ms. Weinstein said that we would give members of the Lachat Oversight Committee first preference for seats on the Commission.

Mr. Muller moved to appoint Carol Baldwin, Judy Saffan, Nicholas Bell and Ellen McCormick to the Lachat Town Farm Commission for a term to expire May 15, 2017. Mr. Tracey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Discussion/decision regarding authorizing the First Selectman to sign a Non\_Emergency Interagency Agreement-** Chief Troxell said that we have had these agreements in the past. The reason the agreement is with Darien, New Canaan, Norwalk, Westport, Weston and Wilton is because we all report to GA20 which is the Norwalk Court. This has traditionally been used for

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DUI endorsement. Sgt. Ferullo said that there are grants available for distracted driving and DUI from the Department of Transportation. The agreement indicates that we have reciprocal enforcement powers with these communities.

Mr. Tracey moved to authorize the First Selectman to sign a Non-Emergency Interagency Agreement. Mr. Muller seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Request for property tax refunds**

**Jeffery A. Katz**

**\$3,040.53**

Mr. Muller moved to approve property tax refunds in the amount of \$3,040.53 as listed on the May 15, 2014 Board of Selectmen's agenda. Mr. Tracey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

**Open Items**

**First Selectman updates-**

**Any other business to come properly before the meeting-** None

**Approval of the minutes of the April 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Selectmen's meeting and the Special Board of Selectmen's meeting minutes of February 12, 2014-** Mr. Tracey moved to approve the minutes of the April 21<sup>st</sup> Board of Selectmen's Meeting and the Special Board of Selectmen's meeting of February 12, 2014. Mr. Muller seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

At 7:54pm Mr. Muller made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Tracey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted

Judy M. DeVito  
Administrative Assistant  
Approved 6/23/14